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SUBJECT:U.S. CLAIMS AGAINST EGYPT

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1. IN VIEW OF THE EMBASSY'S CONCLUSIONS CONCERNING THE AMERICAN MISSION CLAIM, THE DEPARTMENT AGREES TO EMBASSY ENDEAVORING TO INCLUDE IT IN A LUMP-SUM SETTLEMENT. INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED IN REFTEL (B) AMENDED ACCORDINGLY. SHOULD EGYPTIANS DECLINE TO INCLUDE THAT CLAIM IN A LUMP-SUM SETTLEMENT, THE CLAIM SHOULD BE EXPRESSLY RESERVED FOR SEPARATE NEGOTIATION WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. IF THE AMERICAN MISSION'S CLAIM IS TO BE INCLUDED IN LUMP SUM DISPOSITION, HOWEVER, ITS AMOUNT SHOULD BE ADDED TO THE \$12.5 MILLION (PLUS INTEREST) FIGURE. OTHERWISE, EGYPTIANS WILL CONCLUDE THE \$12.5 FIGURE WAS INFLATED. WE RECOGNIZE THAT THERE IS LIKELY TO BE AN EGYPTIAN EFFORT TO BARGAIN DOWN FROM ANY LUMP SUM FIGURE WE AD-
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VANCE, ESPECIALLY AS A "STARTING POINT", AND WE NOTE HUANG'S ESTIMATE THAT THERE MAY BE 1 1/2 TO 2 MILLION IN THE \$12.5 MILLION FIGURE WHICH IS ESPECIALLY SUBJECT TO BARGAINING. BUT WE SHOULD NOT BARGAIN WITH OURSELVES AT

THIS POINT.

2. RE PARA. 7 REFTL (A), DRAFT LUMP SUM AGREEMENT PREPARED BY HUANG SHOULD BE CABLED TO DEPARTMENT FOR COMMENT AND CLEARANCE BEFORE IT IS SHOWN TO ANY GOE OFFICIAL OF WHATEVER LEVEL.

3. WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING TEXTS OF ONE OR MORE EGYPTIAN SETTLEMENTS CONTAINING MFN AND 65 PERCENT PROVISIONS. KISSINGER

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